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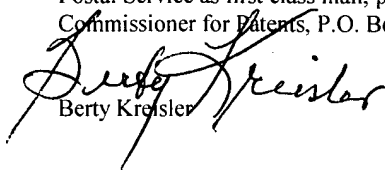
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Sir:

Applicant herewith submits a list of references of which the applicant is aware and/or which are mentioned in the specification. A copy of a foreign patent document is enclosed herewith. Since this application is being filed after June 30, 2003, the requirement for a copy of the U.S. patent publications has been waived.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better prior art exists. While the term "reference" is used in citing each of the publications called to the Examiner's attention herein, applicant does not make any admission that each or all of them are "prior art" references within the meaning of the statutory and case law.

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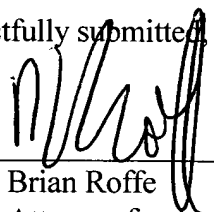
Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner independently determine those items that the Examiner would consider the most pertinent of all the references cited herein.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date of the application. Therefore, no fee is due for the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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